Irregularities in computer purchase in ICAR

3817. SHRI R. N. ARYA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pawan Raina Committee appointed in the year 2000 for inquiring into financial irregularities in the purchase of computers in Indian Council of Agricultural Research for NATP, has submitted its report;

(b) if so, the details of recommendation of the committee, alongwith the details of the indicated officers;

(c) whether the report has been accepted;

(d) if so, the action taken on the report; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Report of Pawan Raina Committee *inter-alia* recommended further investigations. The report was accepted and further enquiry was conducted by Bhaskar Barua Committee. The report of Bhaskar Barua Committee has been examined and its recommendations are being implemented.

(e) Does not arise.